

## Unique Health Economics PhD in Prostate Cancer!

**We are seeking a highly motivated individual to undertake a PhD in health economics in prostate cancer.** The Centre for Health Economics Research and Evaluation (CHERE) has been invited by the Australian and New Zealand Urogenital and Prostate Cancer Trials Group (ANZUP) to collaborate on the international project: Intermediate Clinical Endpoints for Cancer of the Prostate (ICECaP). ICECaP is using data from more than 28,900 prostate cancer patients to test and validate an intermediate clinical outcome for use as a surrogate for overall survival in men with prostate cancer.

Two of the objectives of ICECaP are: (1) to assess the implications of the use of the proposed surrogate outcome measure for determining the cost-effectiveness of treatments for men with prostate cancer; and (2) to determine the value associated with the use of a surrogate outcome as the basis for registration and reimbursement compared with delaying market entry by waiting for mature overall survival data in a clinical trial setting. **This PhD will address these two objectives, using Australia as the reference country upon which to build an analysis of international significance.**

**This PhD offers a full-time scholarship (equivalent to the APA rates of approximately \$25,000 per annum) for three 3 years.** There is also the potential for top-up funding and travel support for meeting attendance as part of this program. To be considered for eligibility, candidates should complete the expression of interest and meet the following minimum requirements:

- *Minimum qualifications:* Honours (1 or 2A) or Master's Degree in economics, health or social sciences, public health, medicine, nursing or other related field.
- Applicants must be Australian citizens, Australian permanent residents or New Zealand citizens, or an international student in receipt of an International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (IPRS).

**The successful candidate will enrol at the University of Technology Sydney and commence studies by the PhD census date in early 2018.** The PhD will be co-supervised by Prof Marion Haas and Dr Richard De Abreu Lourenco at CHERE, as well as Professor Ian Davis from Monash University.

*Interested candidates should contact Dr Richard De Abreu Lourenco ([richard.deabreulourenco@chere.uts.edu.au](mailto:richard.deabreulourenco@chere.uts.edu.au); +61(0)2 9514 4729) or Prof Marion Haas ([marion.haas@chere.uts.edu.au](mailto:marion.haas@chere.uts.edu.au); +61(0)29 514 4721) at CHERE for more information.*

*Download a submission pack at: <http://www.crest.uts.edu.au/docs/SubmissionPack.doc>  
Applications close 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017.*

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